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FM AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2781

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

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AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMCONSUL LUANDA

AMEMBASSY PORT LUDOWIC

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

USS MULLINIX

USS PAUL

CINCLANT FOR POLAD

COMIDEASTFOR

C O N F I D E N T I A L LOURENCO MARQUES 0648

LISBON ALSO FOR USDAO

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PORT VISIT TWO US DESTROYERS

1. DESTROYERS USS MULLINIX AND PAUL SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED TWO-DAY CALL LOURENCO MARQUES. DESPITE JAM-UP OF SOME 77 SHIPS IN AND OUTSIDE PORT, WE WERE ABLE TO GET BERTHING. DIFFICULT SHORE-LEAVE SITUATION, CAUSED BY PRESENCE OF LARGE NUMBERS OF IDLE MERCHANT SEAMEN, WAS EXCELLENTLY HANDLED BY COMMANDERS CLARDY AND HALE.

2. DESTROYERS DEPARTED MORNING AUG 3, JUST PRIOR TO MAJOR POLITICAL RALLY AUG 4 IN SUPPORT OF FRELIMO. FUTURE VISITS LIKELY BE MORE COMPLICATED.

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EM AS DESTROYERS STEAMED INTO HARBOR, SOUTH AFRICAN COR-

RESPONDENT LOUNGING AT DELUX POLANA HOTEL CALLED CONSUL
GENERAL EXCITEDLY TO ASK IF US NAVY HAD COME TO EVACUATE
AMERICAN CITIZENS. COLD WATER THROWN OVER HIM ON
TELEPHONE. LOCAL PRESS AND RADIO REPORTED VISIT AS ROUTINE.
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